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This declaration is for an original application.

INVENTORSHIP IDENTIFICATION

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TITLE OF INVENTION

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SPECIFICATION IDENTIFICATION

The specification was filed on October 16, 2003, as Serial No. 10/686,845.

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information, which is material to patentability as defined in 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56, and which is material to the examination of this application, namely, information where there is a substantial likelihood that a reasonable Examiner would consider it important in deciding whether to allow the application to issue as a patent.

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

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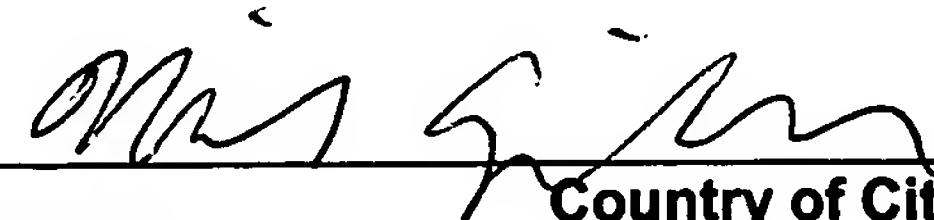
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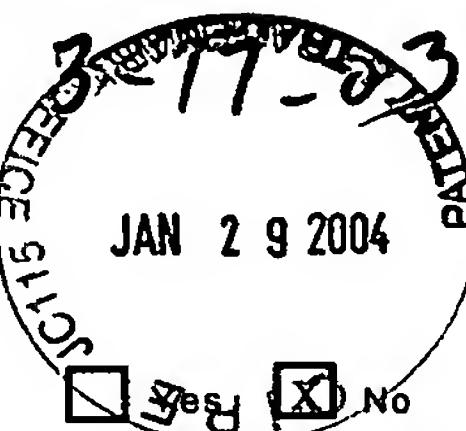
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PROCESS FOR FORMING A REINFORCEMENT MEMBER FOR AN AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLE

and which is found in (37 C.F.R. Section 3.21) U.S. provisional application naming the above inventors for the above-entitled invention

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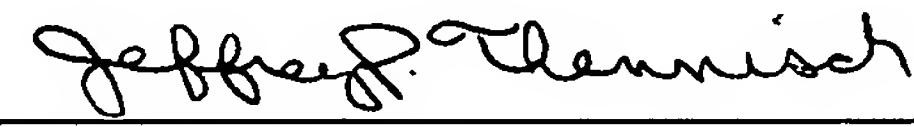


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JEFFREY P. THENNISCH
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My Commission Expires 09/12/2005

Before me this 11th day of March 2003, personally appeared the above named individual, to me known to be the person described in, and who executed the foregoing assignment instrument and acknowledged to me that she executed the same of her own free will for the purpose therein expressed.



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